

September 18, 2001

Mr. Hugh Durham
Arkansas Game & Fish Commission
2 Natural Resources Drive
Little Rock, Arkansas 72205

RE: Lake Whittington Weir Project

Dear Mr. Durham:

Lake Whittington serves as a source of recreational water activity for thousands of people across Mississippi and Arkansas. As governor of this great state, I believe that the protection of our natural resources is imperative, which has brought the great need for the weir project at Lake Whittington in Bolivar County, Mississippi to my attention.

It is my information that the weir necessary to protect Lake Whittington must be at the 12-foot Arkansas City gauge level. Unless this weir is built in the near future, this wonderful lake will soon silt in and be unusable, destroying the natural beauty of the area as well as the recreational aspects that so many families have come to value over the years.

I respectfully request that the Arkansas Game & Fish Commission give serious consideration to this great need and approve the establishment of the Lake Whittington weir at the 12-foot level. If I may be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to call.

Very truly yours,

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